

Freckleton Parish Council



Fylde

Newsletter

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In the last Newsletter I mentioned the forthcoming Tree lighting and Carol Service. The invitation was taken up by many of you and it proved to be a successful evening. The new lights, which were donated by the Freckleton in Bloom committee, improved the area, making it a pleasant place to be in.

I was unable to attend the January 2008 Parish Council meeting because of sickness. Councillor Louis Rigby chaired the meeting and one of the items that was discussed was a new site for a burial ground. A sub-committee has been formed to work with the Holy Trinity church to resolve this matter.

A date was agreed for a meeting on the recently proposed dog control orders. This meeting took place on 22nd January 2008 and was well attended. A Community watch scheme was proposed and this has been set up with the help of the dog warden, four responsible dog owners and members of the football and cricket clubs.

I have written this report on a bright frosty morning and there are hopeful signs of Spring and warmer weather. I would hope that we all will make a great effort to keep our lovely village tidy over the months to come.

Councillor Mrs. Marlene Dowling, Chairman

Forthcoming Events

- 5th March 2008 – Full Council meeting.
- 7th April 2008 - Full Council meeting
- 5th May 2008 – Full Council meeting

Kirkham Baths

The Parish Council has been asked to provide financial support to keep Kirkham baths open for an interim period. The additional costs to the ratepayers of Freckleton would be in the region of £20k for the next financial year.

The Parish Council has considered this request and feel that they cannot justify asking the ratepayers of Freckleton to subsidise the running of the baths.

The Council's view is that Fylde Borough Council is responsible for the upkeep of these baths.

Children's home – Kirkham road

The Parish Council objected to this accommodation being converted into a children's home. However, Fylde Borough Council has given approval for its development.

The conditions relating to the approval stipulate that only the residential property, (excluding any outbuildings) may be used and its use is restricted to a maximum of 6 children, aged between 5 to 12 years old.

The Parish Council will monitor this development to ensure the conditions are met.

Proposed dog control order at Bush Lane Playing Fields, Freckleton

The Parish Council has temporarily deferred the introduction of this order.

It has been agreed that a Community Watch scheme will be run for a period of time to identify the irresponsible dog owners who do not clean up after their dogs.

A number of notices have been put up on and around the Bush lane playing fields. If anyone sees a dog owner not cleaning up after their dog please notify the Fylde Borough Council's dog warden at the contact points below:-

By telephone: 01253 658643 - Please leave a message

By email: go to www.freckleton-dog-watch-org

By letter to:

The Dog warden,
Fylde Borough Council,
Town hall,
Lytham St Annes,
FY8 1LW

Please ensure you leave a contact point (telephone number or address), so that, if necessary, the dog warden can get back to you. All information received will be treated as confidential and the informant will not be identified.

All reports will be followed up by the dog warden and could result in a fine of up to £1,000.

With your help we can make the village a cleaner place.

The list of Councillors and telephone numbers are:-

Freckleton East Ward

Councillor Mrs. S Delany	01772 632349
Councillor Mrs. M.M. Dowling	01772 633488
Councillor Mrs. M Whitehead	01772 686436
Councillor T. Threlfall	01772 633964
Councillor St. J Greenhough	01772 634638
Councillor Linda Burn	01772 634889

Freckleton West Ward

Councillor Mrs M.E. Foster	01772 631184
Councillor T.J. Fiddler	01772 634889
Councillor L. Rigby	01772 634111
Councillor C. Robb	BT Talk type 1800201772635814
Councillor Mrs E Willis	01772 632777

Co-opted Members

Councillor P Quinn	01772 632668
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Contact point

The Clerk to the Council is Mr. K. M. Armistead

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Communication

Advance notice of all Parish Council meetings are published on the two Council notice boards, within the village. One is situated on the footpath in front of the Coach & Horses car park and the other on Lytham road, at the junction of Balderstone Road.

The minutes of all the Parish Council meetings are held in a folder in the Library and are open to view by anyone.

The Parish Council website

The new website is at www.freckletonparishcouncil.org.uk

Please visit this web site to keep up to date with the Council's business. All minutes of meetings, Agendas, Newsletters and contact points are available.